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Two new Silphids (Col.).

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The two new species of *Choleva* in the Horn Collection bearing my Mss. names of *gratiosa* and *horniana*, are separated as follows:

Thorax and elytra coarctate; antennae with joints four and five subquadrate, fourth a little longer, sixth slightly wider than long, longer than the eighth, which is short transverse; male hind trochanters toothed; fifth ventral female entire. *clavicornis* Lec. Sides of thorax and elytra nearly continuous; antennae with joints four to six transverse, gradually wider, sixth equal to eighth; fifth ventral of the female emarginate at middle of apex; hind trochanters simple in the male. Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, V. 19. *horniana* n. sp.

Gratiosa and *alsiosa* have the antennae longer than in the other species, third joint longer than the second, fourth as long as second; fifth ventral female entire.

Eighth joint of antennae longer, equal to the sixth or nearly so; anterior tibiae of male more slender, not curved or sinuate within; tarsi narrow in the same sex; elytra paler. Rangeley Lake, Maine, Aug. 1st. *gratiosa* n. sp.

Eighth joint of antennae very short. anterior tibiae of male stout, curved; front tarsi broadly dilated; first joint of middle tarsi wider; color at maturity piceous or black. *alsiosa* Horn.

[The above is an extract from a letter in reply to a request for information pertaining to these species.

The occurrence here at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, of both these *Silphids* and their incorporation under the manuscript names in a list of the Coleoptera of Pennsylvania soon to be published, makes it advisable to place the above descriptions on record.—CHAS. LIEBECK.]